

**Amendment to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (original) A copolymer comprising units derived from ethylene and 1-heptene wherein the peak force at break per millimeter of film thickness P of a blown film made of the copolymer satisfies the following relationship:

$$P > 1.9 C - 127 \quad (1)$$

wherein P is expressed in N/mm and determined on a 50 micrometer thick blown film according to ASTM-D5748-95 ; and

C is given by the relationship  $C = D(1 - \text{CFW})$ , wherein D is the density of the copolymer measured in  $\text{kg/m}^3$  according to ASTM-D-792 and CFW is the weight fraction of the copolymer having a crystallization point of 75°C or higher as determined using crystallization analysis fractionation, and C is greater than or equal to 550.

2. (original) The copolymer of claim 1 wherein P satisfies the following relationship:

$$P > 2.7 C - 563 \quad (1a)$$

wherein P and C have the same meanings as in formula 1 in claim 1.

3. (currently amended) The copolymer of ~~claims~~ claim 1 wherein P satisfies the following relationships:

$$P > 3.4 C - 944 \quad (1b)$$

wherein P and C have the same meanings as in formula 1 in claim 1.

4. (original) A copolymer according to any of the claims 1-3 wherein the density D is from 890 to 935  $\text{kg/m}^3$  and the melt index as measured according to ASTM-D-1238 Procedure A, Condition E at 190 °C/2.16 kg is from 0.3 to 25 g/10 min.
5. (original) A copolymer according to claim 4 wherein the density D is from 895 to 930  $\text{kg/m}^3$ .

6. (original) A copolymer according to claim 5 wherein the density D is from 901 to 928 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.
7. (original) A copolymer according to any of the claims 4-6 wherein the melt index is from 0.5 to 10 g/10 min.
8. (currently amended) A copolymer according to any of the claims ~~4-7~~ 1-3 wherein the fraction CFW is from 0 to 0.5.
9. (currently amended) A composition comprising a copolymer of any of the claims ~~1-8~~ 1-3.
10. (currently amended) An article prepared from or containing a copolymer of any of the claims ~~1-8~~ 1-3 ~~or a composition of claim 9.~~
11. (original) An article of claim 10 which is a film.
12. (currently amended) An article of claim 11 which is a packaging film.